From: Monica Megard

Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2019 5:31 PM

To: PUC-PUC < PUC@state.sd.us >

Subject: [EXT] Regarding PUC Docket EL 18-053 Deuel Harvest Wind Farm

To the Commissioners,

I am a life long resident of Scandinavia Township SE Deuel County. I am a fourth generation land owner Farmer on my family century farm. My family roots go back to the 1880's in Deuel county. Looking back to the early days of our area when people were establishing homesteads one of the first things they built was a windmill they made use of the natural resources they had. One of my Grandfathers had a wind charger with a battery storage system to provide lighting before the REA was available. My other Grandfather was active in getting HD electric established. My Father commented many times how much life on the farm dramatically improved with the coming of electricity. I feel the Deuel Harvest Wind project will be a great benefit to our county, townships, school and residents. The economic benefits of job creation, school scholarships, increased tax revenue and land owner payments will

have a huge positive impact. Our county zoning board had many open meetings with both pros and cons free to voice their views. After much hard work they established reasonable setbacks as well as other increased restrictions. I believe the negative comments voiced by the opponents of this project, some who are not residents of Deuel county or South Dakota are highly questionable. I believe the positive benefits of this project far outweigh any possible negatives. I urge the PUC to approve the Deuel Harvest Wind Farm.

Thank you, Roy Megard

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